

Proposed Bill No. 5606

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LCO No. 1674

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: REP. ROLDAN, 4th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPITAL CHARGES FOR UNINSURED PATIENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 19a-673 of the general statutes be amended to limit a
- 2 hospital's charge for a health care service provided to an uninsured
- 3 patient, whose income is at or below three hundred fifty per cent of the
- 4 federal poverty level, to one hundred fifteen per cent of the rate that
- 5 Medicare reimburses the hospital for the same service.

Statement of Purpose:

To limit the amount a hospital can charge for a health care service provided to an uninsured patient with an income level at or below 350% of the federal poverty level to 115% of the rate reimbursed by Medicare for the same service.